

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 692

By Yarbro

A RESOLUTION to commend Gracie Watson for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session, this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Gracie Watson is one such individual, who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Senator Jeff Yarbro; Gracie Watson's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, an honors program student at Belmont University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Gracie Watson has achieved academic success while pursuing a degree in faith and social justice with a minor in political science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Alpha Chi Honor Society and Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Society; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee State government and to further her studies, Gracie Watson brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2023 session of the One Hundred Thirteenth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, during her time on the Hill, she contributed significantly to the formation of Senate Bill 1052, a bill that would ensure voting rights for incarcerated individuals not convicted of a felony and who otherwise have the constitutional right to vote; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2023 legislative session, Ms. Watson has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Gracie Watson has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Gracie Watson for outstanding
service as a legislative intern for Senator Jeff Yarbrow and extend to her our best wishes for
every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared
for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to
the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear
without House or Senate designation.